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Col. Joseph Miller
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Dear Col. Miller:

Thanks very much for the time you took from your leave to discuss with me the communications support which you are rendering our FBIS station on Kauai. I do hope that this service can be improved, but I want you to know that I fully appreciate the tremendous obstacles with which you are confronted, and that I am fully aware of the difficulties encountered in supporting us in this isolated location. I am afraid, however, in the light of recent planning for overall FBIS operations that movement of this station to Oahu cannot be justified at this time as a proper expenditure of funds, due to the uncertainty of retaining this station permanently in the Hawaiian Islands. I know that you will do whatever you can to improve the communication service, and I certainly hope that the power failures which you have recently experienced do not occur very often. Please be assured that we are genuinely appreciative of the splendid support we are receiving.

While in Hawaii, I was introduced at the Alexander Young Hotel to a [redacted] who, I believe, is employed in the Communications Division of the Signal Service Center under Col. Redding. Apparently [redacted] was a Sergeant in the Army and in charge of the KRC Station on Kauai at some past date. [redacted] informed me that during the time [redacted] was in charge of this Station, without any assistance whatever, no breakdowns occurred. I certainly do not want to be accused of proselyting your personnel and have made no statement to [redacted] relative to his employment. However, I believe I could arrange to take him on our payroll at Kauai in order to have him available for maintenance at KRC, if such an idea would appeal to you at all. In view of your difficulties in recruiting adequate personnel, I fear this is not a welcome suggestion.

It was a pleasure meeting and talking to you and again please be assured that FBIS and the CIA are genuinely appreciative of your support.

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